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SUBJ: A. MEXICO'S FUEL REQUIREMENTS FOR LAGUNA VERDE REACTOR;

B. SECOND UNIT FOR LAGUNA VERDE ORDERED FROM GE.

- 1. INEN DIRECTOR GENERAL ALBA MOST INTERESTED KNOW CURRENT SITUATION RE LAGUNA VERDE REACTOR FUEL NEEDS. HE AWARE PRESENT US-IAEA NEGOTIATIONS AND CONGRESSIONAL ACTION CONTEMPLATED TO REMOVE EXISTING LIMITS.
- 2. IN COURSE CONVERSATION WITH SCICOUNS AUGUST 23 HE MADE SIGNIFICANT REMARK TO EFFECT IF TRI-LATERAL ROAD DELAYED, GOM MAY HAVE TO SEEK OTHER SOLUTION QUOTE PERHPAS BY BILATERAL AGREEMENT UNQUOTE. SINCE THERE IS NO US-MEXICO BILATERAL IN ATOMIC ENERGY SUCH AS WITH ARGENTINE, BRAZIL, FOLLOW UP ON THIS OPENING MIGHT BE MOST DESIRABLE.
- 3. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON ENRICHED FUEL SITUATION FOR RELAY TO ALBA AND GUIDANCE ON FOLLOW UP MENTIONED IN PARA 2.
- 4. ALBA ALSO ADVISED THAT CFE HAS ALREADY GIVEN CARTA PEDIDO (LETTER OF INTENT) TO GE IN EFFECT ORDERING SECOND UNIT FOR LAGUNA VERDE, OF CAPACITY SIMILAR TO FIRST. THIS ACTION TAKEN EARLIER THIS WEEK OF AUGUST 20 BEFORE DEADLINE OF GE OFFER EXPIRES. HENCE FUEL MATTER MENTIONED ABOVE BECOMES THAT MORE IMPORTANT. MCBRIDE

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